This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. (**Currently amended**) A method for surface treatment of a plastic article, comprising:
   (a) a step of immersing said plastic article in ~~an~~ a first aqueous solution having a pH of 4 or less, ~~free of coupling agents,~~ and comprising as a first polymer a carboxyl functional polymer having a weight average molecular weight of 200 or more to form a plastic article-first polymer complex, ~~wherein the step of immersing is prior to any pretreatment,~~ and
   (b) contacting said plastic article-first polymer complex with purified water or a buffer solution comprising a pH of about 7, and immersing said plastic article-first polymer complex in an aqueous solution of a second polymer having a weight average molecular weight of 200 or more.

2. (**Canceled**)

3. (**Previously Presented**) A method for surface treatment of a plastic article according to Claim 1 wherein said plastic article is a hydrogel.

4. (**Original**) A method for surface treatment of a plastic article according to Claim 3, wherein said plastic article has water content greater than 15%.

5. (**Previously presented**) A method for surface treatment of a plastic article according to Claim 3, wherein said hydrogel comprises at least one of the silicon atom and/or a fluorine atom.

6. (**Previously Presented**) A method for surface treatment of a plastic article according to Claim 5, wherein said hydrogel has oxygen permeability coefficient greater than $50x10^{-11}$ $(cm^2/sec)[mlO_2/(ml \cdot hPa]$.

7. (**Previously Presented**) A method for surface treatment of a plastic article according to Claim 1 wherein said plastic article is a macromolecule substantially not containing water.

8. (**Canceled**).

9. (**Canceled**).

10. (**Previously presented**) A method for surface treatment of a plastic article according to Claim 1, wherein said carboxyl functional polymer is a polymer selected from the group consisting of polymethacrylic acid, polyitaconic acid, and a copolymer of methacrylic acid, maleic acid, itaconic acid, or maleic anhydride and a reactive vinyl monomer, or a mixture thereof.

11. (**Currently Amended**) A method for surface treatment of a plastic article according to Claim 1 wherein said aqueous solution of a second polymer has ~~comprising a step of immersing said plastic article in an aqueous solution having~~ a pH of 8 or higher.

12. (**Previously presented**) A method for surface treatment of a plastic article according to Claim 1, wherein said second polymer having the weight average molecular weight of 200 or more is a polyethyleneimine.

13. (**Previously presented**) A method for surface treatment of a plastic article according to Claim 1, wherein said second polymer having the weight average molecular weight of 200 or more is a nonionic water-soluble polymer.

14. (**Original**) A method for surface treatment of a plastic article according to Claim 13, wherein said nonionic water-soluble polymer is a polymer selected from the group consisting of a polyacrylamide, polydimethylacrylamide, polyvinyl pyrrolidone, polyethylene glycol, polyethylene oxide, and polyvinyl alcohol, or a mixture thereof.

Claims 15--38 canceled.

39. (**Original**) The method of claim 1 wherein said carboxyl functional polymer comprises polyacrylic acid.

40. (**Original**). The method of claim 39 wherein said polyacrylic acid has a molecular weight of about 5,000 to about 250,000.

41. (**Original**). The method of claim 1 wherein said plastic article is washed after said immersing step.

42. (**Original**). The method of claim 1 wherein said plastic article is autoclaved after said immersing step.

43. (**Original**). The method of claim 1 wherein said plastic article is autoclaved after said washing step.

44. (**Original**) The method of claim 13 wherein said nonionic water-soluble polymer comprises polyvinyl-pyrrolidone.

45. (**Original**) The method of claim 13 wherein said carboxyl functional polymer comprises polyacrylic acid.

46. (**Original**) The method of claim 45 wherein said nonionic water-soluble polymer comprises polyvinyl-pyrrolidone.

47. (**Original**) The method of claim 1 wherein said plastic article is a contact lens.

48. (**Original**) The method of claim 39 wherein said plastic article is a contact lens.

49. (**Original**) The method of claim 46 wherein said plastic article is a contact lens.

50. (**Canceled**)

51. (**Currently Amended**) The method of claim 1 ~~or 2~~ wherein said plastic article has a dynamic contact angle of less than about 80°.

52. (**Original**) A method for surface treatment of a plastic article according to Claim 12, wherein said nonionic water-soluble polymer is a polymer selected from the group consisting of a polyacrylamide, polydimethylacrylamide, polyvinyl pyrrolidone, polyethylene glycol, polyethylene oxide, and polyvinyl alcohol, or a mixture thereof.

53. (**Original**) A method for surface treatment of a plastic article according to Claim 45, wherein said nonionic water-soluble polymer is a polymer selected from the group consisting of a polyacrylamide, polydimethylacrylamide, polyvinyl pyrrolidone, polyethylene glycol, polyethylene oxide, and polyvinyl alcohol, or a mixture thereof.

54. (**New**) A method for surface treatment of a plastic article, comprising:
a step of immersing said plastic article in a first aqueous solution having a pH of 4 or less, and comprising as a first polymer a carboxyl functional polymer having a weight average molecular weight of 200 or more to form a plastic article-first polymer complex, and
contacting said plastic article-first polymer complex with purified water or a buffer solution comprising a pH of about 7, and optionally immersing said plastic article-first polymer complex in an aqueous solution of a second polymer having a weight average molecular weight of 200 or more.